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In re Application of: Martin, Allen

Art Group:

Serial No.:

Examiner:

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Atty. Docket No.: 525-006

For: EXTERNAL DRIVE SUPERCHARGER

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Preliminary Amendment of Patent

Dear Sir:

Applicant requests the preliminary amendments to the patent application (a divisional of patent application number 09/627,037) filed herewith be entered.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 3 of this paper.

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Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-7 (original)

Claims 8-28 (cancelled).

Claims 29-30 (original).

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REMARKS

Claims

Claims 1-7 and 29-30 remain in this application. Applicant has cancelled claims 8-28, and kindly traverses the Examiner's restriction in the parent application (09/627,037) because:

a. the use or method of making for each subcombination is the same, namely, to provide an external drive assembly either individually or in combination, and

interpretation because the coupling of the external drive assembly to the impeller

that in claims 29 and 30 Applicant kindly disagrees with the Examiner's

is for driving and rotating the impeller as opposed to the Examiner's statement

that a materially different method can be made such as "coupling the external

drive assembly to the impeller without rotating the impeller."

Accordingly, Applicant respectfully traverses the Examiner's restriction in the

parent application.

b.

Conclusion

Applicant respectfully requested following the entry of Applicant's amendments.

Respectfully submitted,

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